

WHEREAS; water is the most valuable and vital natural resource, and guaranteeing access to clean drinking water is a public health priority for the state; and

WHEREAS; clean drinking water should be accessible to all people regardless of their ZIP code and every Wisconsinite ought to be able to drink directly from their tap without fear of contamination; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin must continue to fund restoration projects, keep science at the forefront of research and policy-making, and work together at all levels of government to address issues of water contamination; and

WHEREAS; despite the state's efforts, which continue to improve water quality in Wisconsin, including investments to replace private wells and lead service lines, improve testing and remediation, and prevent contamination, safe, accessible, and dependable drinking water is not always a reality for many Wisconsinites; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin joins the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and Wisconsin Department of Health Services in reaffirming its commitment to preventing and addressing water contamination and working to guarantee safe, clean, and reliable drinking water for every community and person in Wisconsin;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim May 7 through 13 2023 as

DRINKING WATER WEEK

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance
to all our state's residents.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 19th day of May 2023.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State